(a) whether Government are aware that the circumstances of the disappearance/death of Subhash Chandra Bose have not been authentically settled to this day;

(b) whether Government would press the Governments of UK, USA, Taiwan and Japan to make public the confidential findings of their respective inquiries into the subject; and

(c) whether the 'secret' file on the subject containing more than forty documents will be retrieved and made public?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SYED SIBTEY RAZI) (a) to (c) In view of the fact that the circumstances of the disappearance/ death of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose have already been looked into by two Commissions of Inquiry earlier, it has been felt by the Government that no useful purpose would be served by holding yet another enquiry.

Relations with West Asian and North African Countries

591. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the areas of bilateral cooperation between India and the countries in West Asia and North Africa;

(b) what has been the concrete outcome of this cooperative effort; and

(c) the steps being taken to strengthen these relations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATIA): (a) Bilateral cooperation between India and countries of West Asia and North Africa encompasses diverse areas of mutual interest including political consultations, trade, investment, culture, science and technology and efforts to combat terrorism and organised crime.

(b) The concrete outcome of this cooperative effort is more diversified and intense economic cooperation, greater political understanding on key bilateral and multilateral issues and enhanced people-to-people contacts.

(c) Steps to strengthen India's relations with countries of West Asia and North Africa is a continuous effort including bilateral visits, signing of appropriate agreements and promoting greater people-to-people contacts.

दिल्ली में मांग पर टेलीफोन कनेक्शन प्रदान करना

592. श्री ओ.पी. कोहली: क्या संचार मंत्री 19 नवम्बर, 1995 को राज्य सभा में तारांकित प्रश्न 43 के दिए गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार दिल्ली में मांग पर टेलीफोन कनेक्शन प्रदान करने की स्थिति में है; और

(ख) इस संबंध में अब तक क्या प्रगति हुई है?

संचार मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुखराम): (क) और (ख) राष्ट्रीय दूरसंचार नीति, 1994 में, दिल्ली सहित पूरे देश में वर्ष 1997 तक, मांग पर टेलीफोन प्रदान करने की परिकल्पना की गई है। इस उद्देश्य की प्राप्ति के लिए, उपस्कर तथा अन्य संसाधनों के समय पर उपलब्ध होने पर, वर्ष 1995-96 के दौरान दिल्ली में 272700 सीधी एक्सचेंज लाइनें प्रदान करने का लक्ष्य रखा गया है। 31.1.96 तक कुल 87384 टेलीफोन प्रदान किए गए हैं और परिणामत: प्रतीक्षा सूची में 31.1.96 की स्थिति के अनुसार 18670 आवेदक रह गए हैं, जबकि 31.3.95 की स्थिति के अनुसार प्रतीक्षा सूची में 130245 आवेदक दर्ज थे।

Noise and Air pollution due to installation of high powered generator set

593. SHRI KANAKSINH MOHANSINH MANGROLA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of complaints have been received against Zee Television, South Extension, New Delhi for installing high powered Generator Set on top roof of their residential building creating both noise and air pollution;

(b) if so, when the complaints were received; and

(c) the action taken in the matter so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) A complaint was received in the last week of

January, 1996 from the residents of South Extension, New Delhi, regarding installation of a high powered generator set by Zee Television on the roof top, thereby causing noise and air pollution problems. To control pollution from diesel generators, standards for stack height and noise for different capacities of diesel generators have been notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. These standards are enforced by the Delhi Pollution Control Committee in respect of Diesel Generator Sets installed in Delhi. The complaint has been forwarded to Delhi Pollution Control Committee who have initiated appropriate action in the matter.

Proposal to develop Kandla Port

594. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal to develop Kandla Port in the private sector has been received by the Union Government;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof;

(c) the amount likely to be spent thereon alongwith the period of its completion and the purpose for which it is likely to be used;

(d) whether similar proposal for other ports in Gujarat has also been received by Government; and

(e) if so, the details of each such port in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI M. RAJASEKARA MURTHY): (a) to (c) A proposal for development of container handling facilities for handling containers at Kandla Port through private sector participation has been received. The estimated cost of the project is around Rs. 65 crores and the project period is 18 months. The proposed facilities will enable the port to handle the containers from ship to stackyard. In addition, Kandla Port have given advertisement for construction of 9th & 10th general cargo berths in the private sector and necessary processes have started.

(d) and (e) No, Sir. The other ports in Gujarat being minor Ports, the responsibilities for their development lies with the State Government.

Fake currency notes

595. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA:
SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(á) whether Government are aware of the incidents of proper action of fake Notes from the soiled mutilated Currency Notes;

(b) whether Government have detected the persons involved in this business; and

(c) if so, the measures proposed to be taken by Government to stop this business?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS: (PROF. M. KAMSON): (a) to (c) 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects. Hence the registration, detection and prevention of crimes is primarily the responsibility of State Government/UT Administrations.

वनरोपण पर खर्च की गई धनराशि

596. श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव: क्या पर्यावरण और वन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) देश में वनरोपण और अपक्षीणित वनों के विकास से संबंधित कार्यक्रमों पर वर्ष 1990-91 से 1994-95 तक वर्ष-वार कितनी-कितनी राशि व्यय की गई है;

(ख) उपर्युक्त कार्यक्रमों के लिए देशों और अंतरराष्ट्रीय संस्थाओं से ऋण एवं अनुदान के रूप में प्राप्त राशि का वर्ष-वार ब्यौरा क्या है तथा देश के आतंरिक स्रोतों से धन जुटाने के उपरांत कितनी राशि व्यय की गई;

(ग) केन्द्रीय और विदेशी टीमों ने इन कार्यक्रमों के कार्यान्वयन की राज्य-वार निगरानी एवं मूल्यांकन कब किया था; और

(घ) उपर्युक्त कार्यों पर व्यय की गई राशियों का राज्य-वार ब्यौरा क्या है तथा इन कार्यक्रमों के संबंध में धन के उचित प्रयोग एवं सफलता के लिए क्या-क्या टिप्पणियां की गई हैं?

पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री राजेश पायलट): (क) से (घ) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सदन के पटल पर प्रस्तुत कर दी जाएगी।

Postal and Telecom services in Haryana

597. SHRI S.S. SURJEWALA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state: